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Dear sir:

I am writing to petition for appointment of a lateral manager by the director of department of water resources per Idaho code 43-1308.

We are within the Big Wood Canal Company water delivery system. We are to receive water from a lateral that feeds a community ditch system.

Over the past six water years we have had extreme trouble getting water delivered through the community ditch system. We live at the end of one of the two branches of the lateral delivery system. There are very few functioning weirs for division, measurement or enforcement. Allowing the other water customers to dig out the side of the water community delivery ditch with out being responsible for the amount of water they take from the delivery system. Pictures and sheriff reports are available.

Two years ago we attempted to form a community water association with only two of the approximate 8 water customers attending. This is, to our knowledge, the only time a meeting was held. No association officers or lateral manager were elected during that meeting. The situation with the neighbors has deteriorated since that time.

We are willing to pay our portion, for a lateral manager and necessary improvements to the ditch system, if that will help us receive our water.

Again, there has been no association meeting for the 2010 water season, with no elected officers and no elected lateral manager.

This appears to be the situation described in the Idaho code 42-1308, supporting our right to petition for the appointment of a lateral manager by the director of the department of water resources.

Thank you for your time and consideration in the case of our petition.

Sincerely,

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